Resolution authorizing a collaboration agreement with Access HealthColumbus to support access to prescription drugs and coordination of health care for low income residents (Community Partnerships) (\$300,000)

WHEREAS, Access HealthColumbus is a public/private partnership dedicated to solving the lack of health care for vulnerable populations in Franklin County: and

WHEREAS, approximately 134,000 of our Franklin County residents are uninsured, and the lack of healthcare contributes to lost productivity in our workplace and schools, contributes to ever escalating healthcare costs, and causes critical delays in receiving vital medical treatment for all of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Access HealthColumbus will coordinate access to health care through affordable medical referrals to the over 800 doctors and 12 hospitals participating in the Voluntary Care Network and ensure distribution of affordable prescriptions to Franklin County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners wish to participate and give assistance to Access HealthColumbus because of its demonstrated success of leveraging public-private resources to ensure access to health care for Franklin County residents of limited income; and

WHEREAS, the execution of a Collaborative Agreement is authorized pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 307.85 and 3709.283; now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

That the attached purchase order, individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List and the attached collaboration agreement between Access HealthColumbus and the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the period of January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, is hereby approved.

Prepared by Kate Matheny

Cc: Auditor

Access HealthColumbus